## Department of Community Affairs Division of Fire Safety Memorandum

TO: NFIRS Program Managers

FROM: Heather Puskar, NFIRS Unit Supervisor

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SUBJECT: Automatic External Defibrillator Special Study

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In an effort to track the use of the Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs), the Division of Fire Safety's NFIRS Unit has developed a special study. The AED Special Study will be in addition to the Thermal Imaging Camera (TIC) Special Study. Please see the attached form for more information on the AED Special Study.

When documenting use of an AED, or a TIC, please use one code with one value per AED use per incident, and one code with one value per TIC use per incident. In other words, you can document the use of the TIC and the use of an AED in the same incident; however, you can only document one value for each. For example, if you use the TIC for a civilian victim search and you find a civilian victim, and you use the AED on that civilian and it was effective, than you would document the Special Study as "6000, 5; 7000, 1".

Thank you in advance for your participation in the AED and TIC Special Studies.

If there are any questions please contact me at <a href="mailto:hpuskar@dca.state.nj.us">hpuskar@dca.state.nj.us</a>.